

April 13, 1992

LB 415, 1105, 1115

voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 2220 of the Legislative Journal.) 43 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 5 excused and not voting, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LB 1115 passes. LB 415.

CLERK: Madam President, 415, Senator Crosby would move to return the bill for a specific amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President, and members, I am asking you to consider today the amendment that I had on file. It's on page 1002 of the Journal. (Re: AM3128.) LB 1105 was amended into LB 415 on Select file on February 13, 1992. What that does is eliminate the names of the employees when they run the financial statements and the list of employees and what the salary that they receive and so on in the metropolitan and cities like Lincoln and Omaha, they eliminate the name. All they are supposed to do now, if this bill passes the way it is, is say, Clerk, \$12,000 a year; Typist III, \$10,000 a year, whatever the salary might be. From my point of view, when you run from day one, the reason that county proceedings and city proceedings and all of the minutes of councils, city, county commissioners and any entity, the reason those things are run in the newspaper is so people know who is working there, who is getting what. Names are what are essential. So I would like to ask you at least to look at this again and I will consider withdrawing it but I do want to have a little discussion on it again. I think when LB 1105 was amended a lot of us weren't considering actually the impact of what 1105 does. And, from my point of view again, newspapers run stories about people. Now these are paid notices but even then I cannot consider that running Clerk II, \$12,000 a year, or Engineer IV, \$25,00-\$30,000 a year, what does that mean? It means those are classifications. It has nothing to do with the people that are involved. And people who read newspapers, who watch any kind of media, listen to the radio, they want to know who is involved. It doesn't necessarily have to do with simply a classification. So my amendment would require that the names be put back in. That was what my amendment was about. So, at this time, I just ask you to consider returning it to Select File so I can put that amendment back in and/or if that fails, vote against the